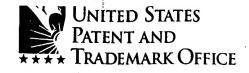
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### ALIGNMENT of B7H2 long and short forms from 00-212CP1, SEQ2 and SEQ4

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ALIGN calculates a global alignment of two sequences
version 2.0uPlease cite: Myers and Miller, CABIOS (1989)
>B7H2 long - SEQ 2 - 00-212CP1
                273 aa vs.
>B7H2 short - SEQ ID 4 - 00-212CP1
             183 aa
scoring matrix: BLOSUM50, gap penalties: -12/-2
66.7% identity;
                     Global alignment score: 993
                            30
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     MIFLLLMLSLELQLHQIAALFTVTVPKELYIIEHGSNVTLECNFDTGSHVNLGAITASLQ
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     .....
B7H2
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     IALRKQLCQKLYSSKDTTKRPVTTTKREVNSAI
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NOW, THEREFORE, To Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey unto the said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all foreign countries or reissues thereof which may be granted therefor or thereon, for the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, together with the right to claim the priority of said application in all foreign countries in accordance with the International Convention, the same to be held and enjoyed by said assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made.

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